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From the INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY '06.4.24 31 NATEST 1 To: WRITTEN OPINION OF THE see form PCT/ISA/220 INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITY (PCT Rule 43bis.1) Date of mailing (dayimonth/year) see form PCT/ISA/210 (second sheet) Applicant's or agent's file reference FOR FURTHER ACTION see form PCT/ISA/220 See paragraph 2 below Priority date (day/month/year) International filing date (day/month/year) International application No. 28.12.2004 26.12.2005 PCT/JP2005/024204 International Patent Classification (IPC) or both national classification and IPC INV. F01M9/04 **Applicant** TOYOTA JIDOSHA KABUSHIKI KAISHA This opinion contains indications relating to the following items: 1. Box No. I Basis of the opinion ☐ Box No. II **Priority** Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability Box No. III ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited Certain defects in the international application Box No. VII Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application 2. **FURTHER ACTION** If a demand for international preliminary examination is made, this opinion will usually be considered to be a written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority ("IPEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an Authority other than this one to be the IPEA and the chosen IPEA has notifed the International Bureau under Rule 66.1 bis(b) that written opinions of this International Searching Authority will not be so considered. If this opinion is, as provided above, considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, with amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later. For further options, see Form PCT/ISA/220. For further details, see notes to Form PCT/ISA/220. 3. Name and mailing address of the ISA: Date of completion of **Authorized Officer** this opinion European Patent Office - P.B. 5818 Patentlage form

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International application No. PCT/JP2005/024204

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	Вох	N	o. I Basis of the opinion
1.	With	n re	gard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
	\boxtimes	the	e international application in the language in which it was filed
			ranslation of the international application into , which is the language of a translation furnished for the rposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1 (b)).
			gard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and ary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
	a. ty	pe	of material:
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			contained in the international application as filed.
			filed together with the international application in electronic form.
			furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search.
3.		ha:	addition, in the case that more than one version or copy of a sequence listing and/or table relating thereto s been filed or furnished, the required statements that the information in the subsequent or additional pies is identical to that in the application as filed or does not go beyond the application as filed, as propriate, were furnished.

4. Additional comments:

Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)

Yes: Claims

2-18

No:

No:

Claims

Claims

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Inventive step (IS)

Yes: Claims

2-18

Industrial applicability (IA)

Yes: Claims

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No: Claims

2. Citations and explanations

see separate sheet

Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application

The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted:

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Re Item V.

1 Reference is made to the following document:

D1: US 6 209 508 B1 (TINNEY JOSEPH F) 3 April 2001 (2001-04-03)

2 INDEPENDENT CLAIM 1

The present application does not meet the criteria of Article 33(1) PCT, because the subject-matter of claim 1 is not new in the sense of Article 33(2) PCT.

Document D1 discloses (the references in parentheses applying to this document):

- a diesel engine comprising:
 - a fuel supply passage (16) via which fuel is supplied from a fuel tank (12) to an oil pan (22) through a supply pump (24);
 - a lubrication-system (18) fuel supply passage via which fuel is supplied from the oil pan to engine parts to be lubricated through a lubricating oil pump; and
 - an injection-system fuel supply passage (26) via which fuel is supplied from the oil pan to an injection system (27) through an injection pump (29)

As the document D1 shows all the features of the first claim, the subject-matter of this claim is therefore not new.

Re Item VII.

Certain defects in the international application

Contrary to the requirements of Rule 5.1(a)(ii) PCT, the relevant background art disclosed in the document D1 is not mentioned in the description, nor is this document identified therein.

Independent claim 1 is not in the two-part form in accordance with Rule 6.3(b) PCT, which in the present case would be appropriate, with those features known in combination from the prior art (document D1) being placed in the preamble (Rule 6.3(b)(I) PCT) and with the remaining features being included in the characterising part (Rule

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6.3(b)(ii) PCT).

The features of the claims are not provided with reference signs placed in parentheses (Rule 6.2(b) PCT).